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RESPONSE TO FINAL ACTION OF OCTOBER 3, 2006

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Dear Sir:

This paper is submitted in response to the Final Action of October 3, 2006, to further highlight why the application is in condition for allowance.

Please amend the case as listed below.